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Mr. Adelard Cote
Labor Commissioner
Labor Department
State House

Dear Mr. Cote:

This is in reply to your letter of
October 15, 1957 addressed to Assistant Attorney General William
Deachman.

It is the opinion of this office that
nurses are not subject to the limitations on hours of labor con-
tained in RSA 275:15. The pertinent parts of that statute for-
bid the employment of a female at manual or mechanical labor more
than a specified number of hours per day and week. Since an
industrial nurse is a member of a recognized profession (see
RSA, chapter 326), and since we believe it to be clear in any
event that her duties would not be classified as manual or
mechanical labor, we believe that she would not be subject to
RSA 275:15.

Sincerely yours,

John J. Zimmerman
Assistant Attorney General

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